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In re Application of:
Olufunmilayo I. Olopade

Serial No.: 08/674,311

Filed: July 1, 1996

For: METHYLTHIOADENOSINE
PHOSPHORYLASE COMPOSITIONS
AND METHODS OF USE IN THE
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF
PROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS

Group Art Unit: 1807

Examiner: Amy Atzel

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 28, 1997**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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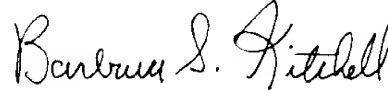
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of three months to and including August 28, 1997 in which to respond to the Office Action dated February 28, 1997.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$465.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a three month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/ARSB:509/KIT.

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